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PAUPERIZING THE RICH; an Inquiry into the Value and Significance of Uncarned Wealth to its Owners and to Society. By Alfred J. Ferris, Philadelphia; T. S. Leach & Co.

This book contains a discussion of the nerits and demerits of our social system which does not belong in any of the recognized classes. It is neither anarchistic no socialistic, nor does it uphold the single tax, the people's party or the free silver propaganda; yet it contains an unsparing araignment of the present regime, and proooses as a corrective a measure of reform which is not lacking in radicalism. Its air is "to be as conservative as the Liberty and Property Defense League and as radical as Property Defense League and as radical as the socialists. It accepts, at least in spirit, the aspirations of the most visionary reformers, and attempts to reach their substantial fulfillment by a measure which yet respects the great underlying principles of the existing social system, and which will stand the closest scrutiny of the practical intellect." The book is stated by the author to be "directly founded" upon Henry George's "Progress and Poverty," but its conclusions and the process of reasoning on which they are based are far from coinciding with those set forth in the monumental work of the great apostle of the single tax.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE DE WILLOUGHBY CLAIM. By Frances Hodgson Burnett, New York: Charles Scritner's Sons. Washington: Brentano's.

from a melodramatic point of view, and a group of striking characters. Structurally, however, her story is open to the criti-cism that she has not sufficiently welded together the two phases of which it con-sists. The real interest centers in the tragedy of the two ministers, John Blair and Lucien Latimer, and herein Mrs. Burnett has wrought a lasting impression. It is somewhat unfortunate, therefore, that she neglects to associate the dramatic value of this striking situation with the eader's concern over the "claim," which s relegated to a subordinate rank in the pages of the keenest interest. Mrs. Bur pages of the keenest interest. Mrs. Burnett must have forgotten some of her "Washington," else she would not have made the mistake of depleting the passage of the great claim as a single achievement, without regard for the protracted processes of successive passage through committees, the two houses and the White House.

IN GHOSTIAY JAPAN. By Lafeadio Hearn, lectures on English literature in the Imperial University, Tokyo, author of "Exotles and Betrospectives," "Out of the East," etc. flustrated. Boston: Little, Brown & Company. Mr. Hearn has become saturated with the essence of the flowery island. He has in-ha'ed the incense of which he writes in

this volume so instructively and poetically until he is believed to be in part transformed into an oriental. If so, the result is good, for it has enabled an appreciative western world to read many charming is good, for it has enabled an appreciative western world to read many charming books and stories from one who is in position both to gather and to understand the material and then to transcribe it into the choicest of terms. "In Ghostly Japan" deals with the supernatural phase of Japanese life, a very large phase, notwithstanding the steady advancement of Christianity and civilization.

REMINISCENCES—1819-1860. By Julia Ward Howe. Portraits and other Illustrations. Bos-ton: Houghton, Marking & Company. Washing-ton: Brentano s. To few women is it given to compass a

span of four score years, and then to be able to indict so charming a book of recollections as is this, from the pen of Mrs. How She lived in an atmosphere of great unrest and strenuous thought and action during the year of her greatest mental and physical power, and the manner in which she ical power, and the manner in which she performed her duty as a member of so-clety is reflected in her great "Battle Hymn." with which her name is immor-tally associated. The book carries the reader into contact with some of the great-est lives of the mid-century, among whom Mrs. Howe was a familiar worker for a cause which enlisted the sympathies of the north's most earnest men and women.

THROUGH UNEXPLORED ASIA. By William Ji meson Reid. Illustrated by L. J. Bridgenen. Boston: Dana Estes & Company. Mr. Reld struck a new path when he sought to complete the explorations of the Russian Prejevalsky through western China and the Chino-Thibetan frontier. He

met with many difficulties and dangers. But those are really what the true explorer seeks. If he does not find them he con-cludes, as a rule, that the region is not worth visiting. This portion of China is excreachments of civilization, and these hardy pioneers will greatly facilitate the process of penetrating the mysteries of the inner-most east. This record is intensely inter-esting, for it deals with a species of Chi-nese fanaticism hardly to be imagined in human beings. The journey was under-taken during the year 1894.

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF MRS. JOHN DREW; with an introduction by her son, John Drew. With Biographical Notes by Douglas Taylor, Illustrated. New York; Charles Scrib-ner's Sons. Washington: Brentano's. Mrs. Drew was one of the forerrost figures on the American stage for many years. Even to the time of her death, not ng ago, she was active in her many parts of striking talent, and her audience's were even larger and more zealously enthusias-tic than before. She leaves this fragment of a record, filled with the atmosphere of he early stage and the flavor of many de parted personages who, with her, have given American dramatics some of their brightest hours.

MY STUDY FIRE. By Hamilton Wright Mable Hlustrated by Mande Alice and Generics Cowles, New York: Dood, Mead & Company Washington: Wm. Brillantyne & Sons.

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THE REVELATION OF JESUS: a Study of the Primary Sources of Christianity. By George Holley Gilbert, Ph.D., D.D., professor of New Testament literature and interpretation in Chicago Theological Seminary. New York: The Macmilian Computer, Washington: Brentan's.

JUDEA FROM CYRUS TO TITUS: 537 B. C.-70 A. D. By Elizabeth Worn-eley Latimer, an-ther of "Nin-eleenth Century" series, etc. Chi-cago: A. C. McClarg & Company. Washing-ton: Wm. Ballantyne & Sons. STORIES FROM FROISSART. By Henry New-bolt, author of "Admirals All," "The Island Race," etc. Illustrated. New York: The Mac-milian Company. Washington: Brentano's.

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Children's Up.ight Planos, slightly marred—that sold at 98 cents—not many of 48C.

A miscellaneous lot of Iron Teys, consisting of Hooks and Ladders, Passenger Trains, Freight Trains, Combination Safes, Fire Engines, Magic Lauterns, Stationary Engines, &c.—and Mechanical Toys—sold as high as 69 [19C,

and on our second floor.

Children's China Tea Sets, consisting of Dishes, Plates, Cups and Saucers, Tea Pots, Sugar Bowl, Cream Pitcher, &c. 12c. Lot of Dolls' Furniture, consisting of Wash-stands, Sideboards, Chiffeniers, and Battle Ship Texas, Dolls' Chairs, Stock Trains of 2 cars and engine, and Golden Ladders, 15c.

A lot of Horns of different sizes which sole

Please bear in mind that the sale will take place from 8 to 11 o'c lock tomorrow (Friday) morning

See how we've cut the toys, games & dolls!

But two more days now remain in which to close out the balance of the Toy stock. We've cut prices without regard for profit to insure a speedy clearance. Thus the final hours before Santa Claus'

visits will see the most sensational selling yet known. Regular \$2.98 Large Size Magic Lanterns, with triple acromatic lens and revolving lens—6 straight and 3 revolving slides \$1.98 and 2 fancy pieces—go for..... Extra large size Iron Express Wagons, with steel axles and wheels—regular price \$1.98 Magic Lauterns, made of blocked tin, with riple accountic lens, complete with b large slides—regular price, 60c.—re- 49c. Dolls' Summer Cottage, with perch 75c. Stationary Steam Engines-guaranteed to work perfectly-60c, kind-for, 48C. Children's extra large size China Tea Sets, all complete in a box-worth \$1.25- 89C. Large Size Black Board and Crayon- 45c. Doll's Wicker Go-Cart with carpet 98c.

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Children's Warehouse, with horse and 48c. Genuine Horsehide Borses, extra large size, saddle, bridle and long \$1.39 mane—on rollers 17 Swinging Show Flies with uphal stered seat and tail-sold at \$1.25 for 89c.

Regular 121/2c. hdkfs., 10c.==3 for 25c.

Xmas millinery.

Another lot of fine quality Black Ostrich Feather Boss-of rich, listrous flu-\$2.98

Special fur values. We've reduced the price of every Children's Fur Set in the stock—to clear them out by Christmas eve. Like this: Children's Fur Sets, consisting of Neck Scarf and Muff with pocket book-in white pack. lamb, lynx and ermine-reduced to...

Finer quality of Children's For Sets-in elegant fors-sold at \$3 and \$3.50 offered to-morrow at the special price \$1.98 Ladies' Coney Fur Collareties, with deep storm collars, very stylish—go on sale tomorrow at the special price \$1.08

Ladies' Astrakhan Fur, Stone Marten and Electric Seal Collarettes, with and without raiss—and Neck Stoles and Scarris of Rine Fox, Stone Marten, Skunk and Seal Furs—with clusters of talls—worth \$5 and \$6-\$3.98

Ladies' Fine Grade Kersey Jackets, with velvet and plain collars—lined with satin duchesse. Choice of navy, royal, fan, gray, castor, red and black. Worth \$10 and \$6.98

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Men's \$1 mufflers.

75 cents each.

Boys' Double-breasted Sults, in all-wool plaid mixtures; all sizes. 6-15.1 Worth \$1.69 Another lot, including our Celebrated Monarch Suits, with 2 pair pants. Also Fine Black and Blue Clay Worsteds and Cheviots; \$3.98 all sizes, 6-16. Worth \$5 and \$6....; \$3.98 The most tylish and serviceable Top Conts; strictly all wool, velvet collar; 3 to 16; swell cut, well tailored. Worth \$5 and \$6.

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"Mother's Friend" or Puritan Shirt Waists, all styles, round collar, shirt collar or neckband.

Boys Mackintoshes and Rubber Coats, in a large assertment—at \$1.98 and \$2.98

For the men. Men's Pine Quality Satin Suspenders, silk embroidered, with clastic ends—in a 25c.

Any of the Men's Regular \$4.50 Smoking Jackets, of all-wed tricot and checked suiting—in brown and green—finished with satin-bound edges and satin frogs—tomor—\$3.98

\$3.98 Men's 'Harvard' Mufflers, made of fancy silk and satin lined—in the shape of a protector, and fit around neck—in a 49c.

Xmas candies. As generously as we've provided for every Candy call, we must urge you to let us have your orders early—to avoid disappointment. We offer the choice of all our delicious Chocolate Confections, including Chocolate-covered Cocoanut, Peppermint, Marshmallows, Pineapple, Fig. Trilbles, Peanut Clusters, Molasses Crumbs, Wintergreens, Grenoble, Pecan Wafers, Dates, Mountains, Nonpariels, Caramels, Nestar, Nougat, Margarite, Italian Creams, Oranges, St. Nicholas, Ron Bons and 19C.

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Ladies' Solid Gold Rings, with all the ewest stone settings for Ladies Jeweled and Enameled Hat Pits special value at

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Gentleme,'s Alligator and Moroeco Wallets, all leather lined. Worth \$1.98 S1.49 reduced to.

Choice of a center table filled with leather goods, consisting of Pocket Books, Chattelaine Bags, Wallets, Card Cares, Wallets, plain and trimmed in cell and alligator—all leather lined—offered for.

LITTLE NOVELS OF ITALY. By Maurice Hew-lett, author of "The Forest Lovers," etc. New York: The Macmillan Company. Short Story Club.

The Short Story Club met Tuesday evening last. In the absence of the president and vice president Miss Gertrude Withing-ton presided. Miss Lillie Ray read an original story, "The Old Veteran's Christ-mas." Mrs. M. L. Willis gave an original Christmas poem, and Mrs. W. W. Case contributed an original Christmas fable. Miss Annie Hertford recited "He Did Not Be-

Annie Hertford recited "He Did Not Believe in Santa Claus."

Quotations appropriate to Christmas were as follows Miss G. Withington, from "Hamlet;" Dr. Anton Coe, translation from Spanish, "God With Us;" Mrs. A. P. Clark, from Margaret Deland, and Mrs. S. H. Agnew, "Imperial Christmas," from the French, and a recitation. Mr. D. A. Ray gave a graphic and entertaining account of a midnight ascent of Haleakala, the house of the sun; showed engravings of the crater and a specimen of the silver sword, a plant that grows in its lava depths, and read a romantic legend of Hawaii. The selections of the Vanette Mandolin Club were greatly appreciated.

Could Not Keep Sober. Sam Burgee was released from the work ouse Tuesday afternoon and ce'ebrated

his freedom by indulging in some strong liquor. Yesterday he returned to Judge Kimball's court under arrest and upon his promise to do right during the holidays he was released. He forgot his promise and soon got drunk. When Policeman Doyle arrested him he objected to going to the his freedom by indulging in some strong

Page. Illustrated in color. New York: Chacles station and a struggle ensued. The officer same, whatever the result of their ride. If

well as the impounding of dogs in this District is ridiculously defective. As regards the former, the police once a year make a sporadic attempt to locate dogs by a house-to-house visit, which visit is the District Commissioners an inspector of well advertised beforehand, in consequence electric lighting, at \$2.50 per day. well advertised beforehand, in consequence of which the owners of dogs who are distinctined to pay the tax (and they are legion), either send their dogs away for a day or two or otherwise hide them and deny they own a dog. As a specimen, I may say that of the six dogs in my block only one is taxed, while the other five have never been taxed, although kept for years. When accidentally an untaxed dog is discovered the owner is let off by paying one year's tax, the fine being invariably remitted.

station and a struggle ensued. The officer was struck and kicked.

"All I can ask this morning," said Sam to Judge Kimball, "is that you be lenient with me this time."

"The troub'e is that leniency does you no good," the court remarked. I let you off yesterday and you could not keep sober twenty-four hours."

For the assault on the officer he was fined \$20\$ with the alternative of sixty days in jail. Ten dollars or one month on the farm was the penalty in the disorderly conduct case.

Dog Taxes and Dog Catchers.
To the Editor of The Evenlag Star:

Now that the dog question is up once again, it may as well be said that the execution of the law regarding the taxing as well as the impounding of dogs in this District is ridiculously defective. As regards the former, the police once a year

Inspector of Lighting Appointed.

A Shameless Impostor. From the Detroit Journal.

sisted.

read line print which are the fellow, perceiving that his imposture was discovered, broke down and confessed that he was only eighty-three.

C. B. Habercom has been appointed by

"I am ninety-eight years old!" he in Of course, we laughed him to scorn.
"How," we retorted, "If you are as old as you say, does it happen that you cannot read fine print without the aid of spectacles?"